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Atty. Docket No. 9178M
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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

Listing of Claims

1. (Currently Amended) A fabric softening composition comprising:
~~at least about 10%, by weight of said composition, of a~~ fabric softening active; and a
cationic starch; wherein the cationic starch comprises a weight average molecular weight
range ~~of starch component~~ of from about 50,000 ~~[[2,000,000]]~~ to about 10,000,000
Daltons; wherein the cationic starch is chemically modified to provide the starch
with a net positive charge; and wherein the composition comprises a viscosity of less
than about 2000 centipoise.
2. (Currently Amended) The composition of Claim 1, wherein said composition
comprises a viscosity ~~[[comprises]]~~ less than about ~~[[2000]]~~ 500 centipoise; and wherein
the fabric softening compound comprises a quaternary ammonium compound .
3. (Currently Amended) The composition of Claim 2, wherein said viscosity comprises
less than about 200 centipoise; wherein the cationic starch comprises from about 1%
to about 7% by weight of the composition.
4. (Currently Amended) The composition of Claim 1, wherein said composition
comprises at least about ~~[[12%]]~~, 2%, by weight of said composition, of said fabric
softening active; and wherein the cationic starch comprises from about 2% to about
7% by weight of the composition .
5. (Currently Amended) The fabric care composition of Claim 1, wherein said
composition comprises from ~~[[about 0.1%]]~~ 2% to about 7%, ~~[[5%,]]~~ by weight of said
composition, of said cationic starch.

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6. (Currently Amended) The fabric care composition of Claim 5, wherein said composition comprises ; at least about 10% by weight of the quaternary ammonium compound, ~~from about 0.3% to about 3%, by weight of said composition, of said cationic starch.~~

7. (Original) The fabric care composition of Claim 1, wherein said cationic starch has an amylose content of from about 0% to about 70%, by weight of said cationic starch.

8. (Original) The fabric care composition of Claim 7, wherein said cationic starch has an amylose content of from about 15% to about 50%, by weight of said cationic starch.

9. (Original) The fabric care composition of Claim 8, wherein said cationic starch has an amylose content of from about 25% to about 30%, by weight of said cationic starch.

10. (Currently Amended) The fabric care composition of Claim 1, wherein said cationic starch comprises ~~starch components having an~~ the weight average molecular weight of from about 50,000 to about ~~[[10,000,000]]~~ 7,000,000 Daltons.

11. (Currently Amended) The fabric care composition of Claim 10, wherein said cationic starch ~~comprises starch components having an~~ the weight average molecular weight of from about 150,000 to about 7,000,000 Daltons.

12. (Original) The fabric care composition of Claim 1, wherein said cationic starch is cationic maize starch.

13. (Original) The fabric care composition of Claim 1, wherein said cationic starch is partially gelatinized cationic starch.

14 - 29. (Canceled)

30. (Original) A method of softening a fabric comprising the step of contacting said fabric with a composition according to Claim 1.

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